

The Hialeah Update

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Super Target Grand Opening



Dade Medical Institute Ribbon Cutting



Local Talent Tribute



Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of the events that have been taking place in and around the city during the last few days. With this issue of the Hialeah Update you can see the various ways "The City of Progress" is truly progressing and helping our community. I want to wish everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

Walk Our Children To School Day: On October 3, 2007 Mayor Robaina joined by Mayor Yioiset De La Cruz and School Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman attended the 10th annual Walk Our Children to School Day. Each year schools are added to the program, which helps educate and inform our youth regarding the environment. This program is promoted by the National Center for Safety Routes to School. This year the event took place at Hialeah Gardens Elementary School. After the walk around the perimeter of the school the students, faculty and honored guests returned to the auditorium where a skit about pedestrian safety was performed by the students.



Hialeah Car Wash Fundraiser: On October 6, 2007 a fundraiser took place at 23 locations throughout the county; all proceeds from the car washes will go to Officer Jose Somohano's family and Officer Jodie Wright through the Police Officer's Assistance Trust. These Miami-Dade Police Department Officers were gunned down on September 13, 2007 in South Dade County. The City of Hialeah held ours at the Milander Auditorium parking lot. Many Hialeah Officers, Hialeah Police Cadets and even members of the community volunteered their time and efforts to wash cars. The Hialeah Fire Department helped out by allowing them to use their equipment which proved to be an invaluable component to the car wash. In total, the City of Hialeah collected \$9,282 and the final tally throughout the County was \$105,207.

FIU Student Chapters of NAWIC and ABC Visited Hialeah:

On October 16, 2007 the Florida International University student chapters of the National Association of Women in Construction joined by the Associated Builders & Contractors visited Hialeah to take a site tour of the 300 units on Okeechobee that is under construction. Mayor Julio Robaina joined by Jorge Guanchez, director of Construction and Maintenance Department and some of the department supervisors walked the students through the job site explaining the process and how the public sector is different from that of the private sector, as well as their similarities. Both chapters are looking forward to visiting the 300 units once they are done in order to be able to compare the difference between a construction site and the finished product.



Peace Poster Contest: Offered by the Lions Club of Hialeah, The Peace Poster Contest is a positive initiative for the children in our community giving them a sense of world peace and unity at a young age. The City of Hialeah is one of the cities in which elementary schools will be participating. Hialeah Middle, Jose Marti Middle, Henry Filer Middle, Palm Springs Middle and Miami Springs Middle will participate in the contest. One winner from each school will compete nationally for the grand prize of \$2,500.00 and a paid trip to New York to visit the United Nations and present their poster along with their parents. The top 23 posters will receive \$250.00 cash prize. The contest began October 11, 2007 and all posters must be turned in to the art teacher of the students school by November 10, 2007. If your child attends any of the schools mentioned and would like to participate, please contact Katharine Cue from Mayor Julio Robaina's office for more detailed information.



Upcoming Events:

- Hialeah Vaccination Program - October 26 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Goodlet Adult Center
- Haunted House - October 29-31 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Milander Auditorium
- Howl O'ween - October 31 from 7:00 to 10:00 pm; children's costume contest to start at 9:00 pm at Milander Auditorium
- Vehicle Slogan campaign – Due November 5, 2007 by 5:00 pm at City Hall in the Mayor's office
- Peace Poster Contest - Due by November 10, 2007
- Youth Art Festival - Contest to be held on November 14, 2007 at Walker Park at 7:00 pm

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